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## MARGINAL COLUMN By GEORGE LEONOF

INEVITABLY, the first of the Western reaction to the latest Soviet proposals on the German problem came from the West German Government itself. The nature of the problem alone would have made it clear that there are more serious considerations. Normally it would appear that if there is anything unusual in Bonn setting the issue in motion, it concerns mainly Germany, it is because in the past the Western Allies have made it their policy to reply in coordinated fashion to the rapid-fire diplomatic pelts from the Kremlin's inextinguishable stock. This time, however, the U.S., Britain and France have declined comment on the grounds that they — and West Germany — have only just opened consultations with the Chancellor Adenauer, and are determined to leave nothing to chance.

DR. Adenauer is not just being impulsive, for Bonn has not completely recovered from what it considers the unnecessary and premature comment of Secretary of State Dean Rusk on November 27. This called for the conversion of Berlin into a demilitarized "free city" and stated that if by June there were no agreement to withdraw all foreign garrisons from Berlin, Soviet units would never be pulled out and control over Western communications to and from Berlin turned over to East German authorities. Pressed at a press conference to say what American policy would then be, Mr. Adenauer stated that the Allied forces would have to deal with the East Germans in this particular field whenever the need arose, although he refused to say such contacts would be no longer recognition of the East German regime. Mr. Dulles was being little more than realistic, since the Soviet courses he might have mentioned were either that the Russians would be compelled to keep their troops in Berlin, or that the West, by sheer military force, would sweep aside East German troops and the check-points. Adenauer's reply was an obvious deflection of the variety of arches ranging from amused to indignant.

SINCE then, differences have been patched up by common Western agreement at what is regarded as a Russian ultimatum to force Western troops out of Berlin. Nevertheless, Bonn has not been unaware of growing criticism, particularly in Britain, that the Western Allies are being unduly influenced by Dr. Adenauer's intransigence on the German problem. Nor can it ignore that the Soviet Deputy Premier, between charming the American press and denouncing the German line, has been most conciliatory on the German issue, insisting that there is no question of "ultimatum" or of any measures aimed at forcing Western troops out of Berlin. The West is categorically committed to reject any solution of the German question which is not acceptable to West Germany, and Bonn has now hurried to make it clear that it considers the latest Soviet proposals unacceptable. Any inclination by the U.S., Britain or France toward a less severe reaction would now have to risk giving the impression of a split in the Western camp — a situation which in the past the West has been careful to avoid.

PRESENTATION of a united NATO front on the German question has not, however, entirely concealed that long-range interests of Germany and other members are not analogous in every respect. This unity is least available in NATO's insistence on free elections as a basis for German reunification, although even on this point there is a tendency to recognize that any agreement may have to provide for retention of certain institutions created in East Germany. It is doubtful, however, whether all of West Germany's allies are equally reluctant to contemplate a Germany precluded by treaty from possessing nuclear arms or rockets at the price of her reunification. The corresponding relaxation of East-West tensions. The greater the effective range of ballistic missiles in the arsenal of East Germany, the more urgent will appear their need to establish launching pads in the respective backyard of Germany.

6 Dead in Iskenderun Oil Tanker Explosion  
ISKENDERUN — Six persons were killed and 15 injured when the 30,700-ton tanker Mirador blew up in Iskenderun harbor on Tuesday evening, flaming oil on the water.

## State Employment Service Law Passed

The Employment Service Bill was passed in the Knesset yesterday. The Bill, which becomes law on April 1, sets up State labour exchanges to replace those now operated by the labour federations, and requires that many types of jobs be filled only through the exchanges.

Non-State exchanges will be permitted only when operated by public bodies. Even then, their activities will be limited to areas with which the public exchanges do not deal. Thus, "private" exchanges will not be licensed to handle domestic jobs. (This is not stated in the law, but follows from the announcement by the Minister of Labour that the public exchanges will deal with domestic jobs.)

Only one of the 50-odd minority amendments to the bill was adopted. This was the amendment of Mr. Eliahu Shushan (Herut) which provides that the Minister shall be set up in the exchange on a "religious-national" basis.

## Penal Law Amendment Tabled

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN, Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Officials or employees who in their official capacity learn that certain crimes have been committed, would be required to report this to the authorities, under a bill presented to the Knesset yesterday. It is titled the Bill to Amend the Penal Law (Conceptualization of Crimes).

The reception given to the bill by the first speakers in the debate (which is to be continued) was only lukewarm. The National Religious Party spokesman, Mr. Yehoshua Kohn, said that the bill was a good part of the populace into informers on their fellow-citizens.

Crimes Listed

The crimes specified in the bill are (1) felonies, (2) bribery, and (3) crimes of treason. The bill provides for a one-year term in the punishment for failure to make the required report.

But there is no requirement to inform the authorities that a crime has been committed, although a person who knows that a crime has been committed, or that a crime is about to be committed, is required to inform the authorities. It is a felony to fail to do so.

Many Drafts

But it had not been a simple matter to embody the principle into a suitable bill, and the bill had been drafted many times by the Ministerial Law Committee. During the past three years, even now, the bill might require revision by the Knesset Law Committee, Mr. Zohar admitted.

## Histadrut Budget IL 22.6M.

By MARK SEGAL, Post Staff Correspondent

TEL AVIV — The Histadrut's budget for 1968 will be IL22,500,000, an increase of more than 10 per cent over the 1967 budget, the Histadrut Treasurer, Mr. Yitzhak Haskin, told The Jerusalem Post on Tuesday. Mr. Haskin is due to present the budget to the special session of the Histadrut Executive that begins today.

The budget was drawn up on the estimate of 700,000 members by the end of 1967. There are now 650,000 members in the Federation, Mr. Haskin explained.

## Syrians Kidnap, Then Return Two Americans

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TIBERIAS — Syrian soldiers crossed into Israel territory at noon on Tuesday and took two 19-year-old Americans hiking by the River Jordan. They returned them after seven hours.

The American couple, David and Susan Fisher, both of whom have been in Israel three months.

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Belgian soldiers and African police are seen here dragging off an African during last week's rioting in Leopoldville, Belgian Congo. UPI Photo

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## Broad Clemency Granted To Algerian Insurgents

PARIS — The Government on Tuesday night announced clemency measures for Algerian nationalist leaders. Minister of Information Roger Frey disclosed here, he said the Cabinet at its meeting also had agreed to free 7,000 persons under detention in Algeria.

## Makarios to Return 'If Peace Reigns'

NICOSEA (Reuters). — Mr. Hugh Foot, Governor of Cyprus, said in a broadcast on Tuesday night that Archbishop Makarios and others would be allowed to return if the present NOKA truce "could become a permanent peace."

## Dulles Says Soviet Plan For Germany 'Stupid as Versailles'

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State Dulles, at his news conference on Tuesday, called Russia's latest German reunification proposals stupid because they would repeat the mistakes made at Versailles following World War I.

## Debre and Macmillan To Meet Next Month

PARIS (Reuters). — The newly-appointed French Premier, Mr. Michel Debre, told Tuesday that he is ready to meet the British Prime Minister, Mr. Harold Macmillan, on Tuesday, that he is ready to meet the British Prime Minister, Mr. Harold Macmillan, on Tuesday, that he is ready to meet the British Prime Minister, Mr. Harold Macmillan, on Tuesday.

## Mikoyan to be Queried On Russian Jewry

WASHINGTON — American Jewish organizations intend to ask Mr. Mikoyan to intervene for the restoration of Jewish cultural activities in the Soviet Union, as well as for the stoppage of Jewish and anti-Israel propaganda over the Soviet radio, it was learned here on Tuesday.

## Live Virus Serum For Polio Shots

JERUSALEM POST REPORTER

KPAP SABA. — The Salk serum does not give protection against the new polio virus strain, and the Ministry of Health will experiment with a live virus serum to immunize children this spring, Dr. Bishah, Director-General of the Ministry, revealed here on Tuesday.

## Water Supply To Agriculture Cut

The Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Kadish Luz, on Tuesday told the Knesset Economic Committee that it would be necessary to reduce the supply of irrigation water to agriculture and it was also doubtful whether the supply of water to urban areas could be maintained at the present level.

## Portugal to Ignore Delgado's Flight

LISBON (AFP). — The Government refused to intervene in the situation created by General Humberto Delgado, former presidential candidate, who on Monday sought asylum in the Brazilian Embassy, the Government stated on Tuesday.

### Forecast for the Next 24 Hours

Generally clearer — not only the skies but also all dull windows and window panes cleaned with Baroket, the new Bar Chemicals product for cleaning and polishing — all smooth surfaces — glass, formica, porcelain, and enamel.

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## Jerusalem Old Folks Clubs Cut Across Ethnic Differences

By MACAREN KARKEN,  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A radical experiment in bridging the cultural gaps between elderly persons of different ethnic communities — while simultaneously giving them new horizons in life — is being carried out at present by the Social Welfare Department of the Jerusalem Municipality in cooperation with Mahan.

The experiment is unique in that established groups of distinct ethnic communities are brought together for instruction in various handicrafts, such as carpentry and weaving. They are also provided with the means of relaxation — which often means religious readings. Attempts are made to form these different groups into a monthly operating club where the groups can find fields of mutual interest, often only talks, lectures and other cultural activities.

These groups, and later the clubs give these elderly persons something to look forward to except death. Mr. Avner Amiel, who is in charge of the work in the field under the supervision of Mrs. P. Brada, head of the Municipal Social Welfare Department.

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Mr. Amiel adds that former attempts to get clubs for elderly persons established failed mainly because they failed to take into account the different backgrounds and

view-points of the members. Many were too old to forget ingrained prejudices. Failure to view their elderly charges with the proper perspective led to the dissolution of the clubs.

There are now five different clubs in operation in Jerusalem. The one in Katamon "Yav" which has 60 members, has three groups, of Kurds, Arabs and Yemenites. This club has been in existence for 18 months.

Another club of 80 members in Katamon is composed mainly of elderly persons who formerly lived in the Old City and who were evicted when the Jewish Quarter fell during the War of Independence. Although they often come from widely separated backgrounds, they are brought together as a distinct group, their common memories overcoming any ethnic differences which might tend to divide them.

In the Nahalat, the club has groups of Yemenites, Kurds and Moroccans. In Givat Shaul, it has Moroccan, Kurdish and some Iraqi. In Beit Maimon, the groups are only in the formative stage.

The Department's present plan is to consolidate existing clubs before starting new ones. The latter also will provide a more budgetary problem, since the funds are solely limited.

## South Africa May Restore Airline Link with Israel

JOHANNESBURG (By Air Mail). — The South African Government is now examining all the economic factors involved in resumption of the South African Airways link with Israel, the Minister of Transport, Mr. Ben Schoeman, told The Jerusalem Post correspondent in a special interview here.

### E.O.K.A. BATTLES THE HULA HOOP

NICOSIA (UPI). — The Greek Cypriot underground E.O.K.A. on Monday declared war against a new enemy — the Hula Hoop.

E.O.K.A. youths made the Hula Hoop a symbol of their struggle against the British. They demanded that housewives turn over the plastic hoops. They took them out into the streets and broke them.

The anti-Hula Hoop campaign is believed to be part of the current E.O.K.A. drive against British rule, and is being conducted as a form of terrorism to bring about the overthrow of the British.

### U.S. Senate Moves Against Filibusters

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — The Senate on Monday night tightened its rule to curb filibusters — the technique of frustrating a bill by endless debate.

By 72 votes to 28, it adopted a rule that a filibuster can be stopped by a vote of two-thirds of the Senate. The rule will take effect on January 20.

Dr. Berta Perlmuter-Hayman has been promoted from Instructor to Lecturer in Physical Chemistry at the Hebrew University.

Mr. Charles Lutz, former Swiss Consul in Budapest, was the guest speaker at the luncheon meeting of the Ramat Gan Rotary Club on Tuesday.

Prof. M. Eversat, Vice-President of the Hebrew University, on Tuesday gave a lecture at the Ramat Gan Institute and the Bessie Jacobs Academic Club.

Dr. M. Avidor, Director-General of the Ministry of Education, will speak at the UNESCO Conference on Education at Paris at today's (Wednesday) luncheon of the Jerusalem Rotary Club.

All exhibition of "Modern Art in Israel" will be opened by Marcel Janco and E. Kolb, director, Tel Aviv Museum, under the auspices of the Israel Painters and Sculptors Association, at the Artists House (Hama House), Tel Aviv, at 6 p.m. tomorrow, Thursday.

### LYDIA FLIGHTS

ARRIVALS: KLM 525 from Amsterdam and Rome at 21:00. DRA 125 from London, Rome and Athens at 22:00. TWA 600 from New York, Paris, Geneva, Milan, Rome and Athens at 00:00. Cyprus Airways 31 from London, Rome, Athens, Jerusalem and Beirut at 00:00. Swissair 100 from Zurich and Athens at 00:00. Air France 181 from Paris and Rome at 00:00.

DEPARTURES: Cyprus Airways 32 to Athens, Rome, Zurich and London at 21:00. DRA 126 to London, Rome and Athens at 22:00. TWA 601 to New York, Paris, Geneva, Milan, Rome and Athens at 00:00. Cyprus Airways 32 to London, Rome, Athens, Jerusalem and Beirut at 00:00. Swissair 101 to Zurich and Athens at 00:00. Air France 182 to Paris and Rome at 00:00.

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## New Flag is created by United States with official adoption of Alaska as 49th state.

President Eisenhower shows flag with seven stars of staggered stars and the old 48 stripes.

In the old flag that has been in use for half a century (since Alaska became a state) there were six stars of eight stars each. The new pattern will make it simple to add a 50th star next year if Hawaii becomes a state then, by adding an eighth star to the middle row.

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## 5 out of 6 Settlers From North America Go Back

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Of the estimated 35,000 persons who came from the U.S. and Canada to settle in the past two decades, not more than 8,000 have remained. Mr. Carl Alpert, National Chairman of the Association of Americans and

Canadians, said at Beit Hillel in Jerusalem on Monday night. He was addressing the Jerusalem branch's general annual meeting on "Why They Leave."

The contributing factors were varied, but in general they stemmed from the difficult process of re-education that citizens of those two countries had to undergo. By and large, it was the devoted Zionist (excepting religious Zionists) who had spent many years in the Movement, whose adjustment was more difficult than the non-Zionist.

Mr. Alpert, who was one of the founders of the Council, said that training would spread the benefits of American Jewish Federation Fund-raising, budgeting and planning experience and proceedings to Jewish communities in all parts of the world.

**TIMELY**  
"It is especially timely," he pointed out, since the program of re-education of German and American communities. It should serve, moreover, as a stimulus to many communities in enabling them to finance more of their own service and refugee absorption needs," he said.

The fellowship would also prove helpful in Israel where central organizations were now extending their voluntary fund raising and coordinated planning activities, he said.

Preliminary plans call for in-service training in the U.S. ranging from three to six months for each person. A part of this time will be spent in the central office of the Council, the remainder of the fellowship period will be conducted in local communities.

Among the factors resulting in Americans returning home, Mr. Alpert listed those — he said — that are to blame, but the regulations. Mr. Alpert here cited examples of American immigrants who applied for exit visas for short trips abroad, found that they had to reimburse the Jewish Agency for costs, blankets, and cots that they never saw. One professor he knew because he stayed away from Israel permanently. Absent customs regulations, he said, caused a family to incur a considerable expense.

The meeting elected Mr. Yehoshua (Bolly) Cohen as its new Chairman; Mr. Gerald Short, Vice-Chairman, and Mr. Arthur Roth, Treasurer. The outgoing chairman, Dr. Morton M. Herman, was named a member of the newly-established Advisory Council, which includes Major Abraham Friedgut, Mr. Edward E. Gelber, Mrs. Kurt Grunwald, Mr. Louis Shoval and Mr. Baruch Zuckerman. An Executive Board of 25 was named.

Mr. Werner Loebl, Chairman of the Housing Committee, announced that 76 families were registered for the housing scheme to be built near Nave Shalom. The first stage of construction is to begin in March.

**FIRE** — Eight persons, including six children, were killed Monday night in a fire which gutted their house in Haharony, a village in Haharony, Japan's northernmost island.

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TEL AVIV: Abramsky, 43 Allenby, 6322.  
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## Opera, Drama For Haifa

Haifa, a dependency of Tel Aviv when it comes to feeding the cultural appetites of its population, is at long last making a determined attempt at self-entertainment. For many years the only home-grown enterprise has been the Haifa Symphony Orchestra, set up to supplement, not to supplant, the Philharmonic.

After years of amateurish childhood it has lately developed pinker cheeks and symptoms of adolescence, though it still needs the support of its patrons and the Haifa Symphony Orchestra, set up to supplement, not to supplant, the Philharmonic.

This season brings to Haifa the promise of two new ventures in artistic entertainment. A dramatic studio and the nucleus of an opera company will make their joint debut on Friday at the James de Rothschild Centre in Central Carmel. They will present two proven hits: Moliere's comedy "Les Femmes Savantes" and Offenbach's operetta, "Les Fanchonnes au clair de lune," both French, witty and sparkling.

**Moliere and Offenbach**  
A prodigious amount of work has gone into the two productions. Tel Aviv director and stage manager, Yehoshua Cohen, has translated Moliere and selected acting talent, most with some previous experience, through numerous rehearsals. The text of Offenbach's musical was translated by Nathan Alterman. Director Frank Plesner began putting his fingers through the text, and has been working on it for some time. The two troupes, have been two circles of "Opera Friends" and "Theatre Friends" who have been working on it for some time.

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at:  
TEL AVIV, 10 Herzl St. Tel Aviv  
JERUSALEM, 60 Herzl St. Tel Aviv  
HAIFA, 25 Ardon St. Tel Aviv

**Today's Postbags**  
The Weather  
FORECAST: Cloudy with high and medium clouds.

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TIBERIA	18	11	10	13	13
HAIFA	18	11	10	13	13
HAIFA AIRPORT	18	11	10	13	13
TEL AVIV	18	11	10	13	13
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BEER SHEVA	18	11	10	13	13
RAFAH	18	11	10	13	13
RAMAT GAN	18	11	10	13	13
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**DEPARTURES**  
Mr. Moshe Kordova, head of the Industrial Chemicals Department of P. & S. Chemicals Co., to London on company business.  
Mr. Arye Ben-Eli, M.K. (Herut), for a short visit to Jerusalem on behalf of his Party. (By M. A.)

**AN ENTIRELY** new exhibition of Israel-produced pianos is being held at the new show of the Israel Institute of Industrial Design, which opens on Wednesday at the Beit Hachinukh, Haifa. The Centre is open daily from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

**THE MINISTRY** of Commerce and Industry has allocated IL200,000 from the Development Budget for the building of garages, it was announced in Jerusalem on Tuesday.

**THE EDITOR** of the afternoon daily "Ma'ariv," Mr. A. Disenchev, and his Haifa reporter, Mr. Y. Schwartz, are the respondents in a libel suit filed by Mr. Y. Engelstein, the owner of a perfume shop in Rehov Herzl. The allegedly offensive article in "Ma'ariv" published an apology and retraction on Tuesday.

**Arab Leader Quits**  
"Popular Front"  
NAZARETH. — Mr. Tahir Fahum, head of the Popular Front branch here, has handed his resignation to the organization's Executive Committee without giving reasons for his departure.

**Ship Delay Piles Up**  
Citrus at Jaffa Port  
TEL AVIV. — Seventy thousand crates of citrus fruit have piled up in Jaffa Port warehouses because of a delay in the arrival of fruit carriers from the Mediterranean.

**LEBANON ASKS HELP**  
AGAINST LOCUSTS  
The Lebanon has appealed to Britain, the U.S. and other friendly powers and international bodies for help in combating the locust invasion. Radio Ramallah said on Tuesday, quoting an official source in Beirut.

**Bus Firms Say They'll**  
Bow Only to Knesset  
TEL AVIV. — The bus co-operatives have accepted changes in the ownership of public transport only if the Knesset decides to nationalize it, Mr. A. Davidovich, a member of the Knesset, said on Tuesday. "No one can impose partnership by force," he declared.

**Mr. Davidovich** was addressing a press conference called by the Dan, Egged and Hamekasher bus co-operatives to oppose the Knesset committee's proposals that national companies should replace the co-operatives. The committee proposed giving 60 per cent control over bus transport to the Government, the local authorities and the Histadrut, leaving the co-operatives with only a 40 per cent share.

**Mr. A. Mazur**, the Dan spokesman, declared that "any changes would have to be enforced without us and against our will."

**Tourist Guide To**  
Keep His Job  
JERUSALEM. — The tourist guide, Mr. E. Dehan, who brought together an American tourist and a Tel Aviv model on the American, Mr. M. Walder, who was recently married, will not be dismissed from his post.

**This was stated** by Mr. Y. Hiler, manager of the Israel Tourist Service Corp., a private company which employs Mr. Dehan, after he had investigated the latter's version of his story of a IL200 claim on the American, Mr. M. Walder, as a "marriage broker's fee."

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## Lavon Wants 'Mud Slinging' Out of Histadrut Elections

Jerusalem Post Labour Correspondent  
TEL AVIV. — The Histadrut Secretary-General, Mr. P. Lavon, will shortly call a meeting of the heads of the political groups in the Histadrut with a view to "bringing about a cessation of inter-party mud-slinging" during the forthcoming elections to the Histadrut, the local Labour Council, and the Trades Unions Council, The Jerusalem Post learned on Tuesday.

The Histadrut has decided that the Histadrut elections should be held in early May. Mr. Lavon wishes to ensure that the campaigning takes place in an undisturbed atmosphere.

The heads of the Mafim and Abud Ha'avoda factions told The Post that they would welcome the opportunity of going to the polls. The Executive of Oved Ha'ozon, the Progressive Party group, will shortly announce its stand on the Mafim and Abud Ha'avoda factions and its implications.

It will be recalled that the last Histadrut elections were held a few months before the Knesset elections in 1955. The Abud Ha'avoda Secretariat on Tuesday demanded changes in Histadrut election procedure. The Secretariat stressed that "fair elections" would be held only if its demands were accepted.

They are:  
• Holding the elections on one day throughout the entire country.  
• The voter to be compelled to cast his ballot in his neighborhood.

• Voters must present their identity booklet and their Histadrut membership card before entering the polling booth.  
• The Abud Ha'avoda Council will shortly meet with the Party's delegates to the Histadrut elections to discuss the party programme.

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## Koor Acquires Agrobank

Jerusalem Post Reporter  
TEL AVIV. — The Histadrut Secretary-General, Mr. P. Lavon, reported on Tuesday that Agrobank Ltd. will shortly become the Israel South American Bank and open a branch in Latin America.

Mr. Lavon was addressing the meeting of Haverat Ordina, the Histadrut holding company, which approved the acquisition of Agrobank Ltd. by the Histadrut.

The Histadrut will now have an equal partnership with the previous owners, a group of Argentine Jewish investors.

The transactions of the new bank will be devoted to aiding the development projects of the entire Histadrut industry and not only of Koor Ltd., Mr. Lavon said.

It is the first time that Haverat Ordina, as such, has entered a direct partnership with private capital.

Mr. Y. Elman, General Manager of Koor Ltd., dwelt on the need for the Histadrut industry for further capital. There is no reason to fear that difficulties will arise in Koor's partnership with the Argentine investors.

It will be put on a healthy business basis, Mr. Elman stressed.

**ZABARSKY OPPOSES**  
Opposition was expressed by Mr. Z. Zabarisky, General Manager of the Workers Bank. He expressed surprise that the Workers Bank was not consulted in the negotiations prior to the agreement and said that no bank should be set up without the participation of the Workers Bank.

Support for the scheme was given by Mr. Z. Oren, Secretary of Haverat Ordina, Mr. B. Kappur, (Abud Ha'avoda), and Mr. E. Linn (Mafim).

In his summing up, Mr. Lavon recalled that in the discussion which had been conducted on the acquisition of Agrobank Ltd. it had been decided that the Histadrut should acquire the bank.

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## 14 Injured As Truck Overtakes

Jerusalem Post Reporter  
NEGEREHA. — Fourteen workers from Haverat Ordina were injured on Tuesday evening when a truck taking them home from work overtook a bus on a narrow road between Negera and Tiamin in the Lachish area.

The vehicle, which carried 20 workers, slipped over for reasons not yet known, and spilled all the passengers into the ditch at the side of the road.

All the injured were taken to Kaplan Hospital. The four seriously injured were hospitalized, and the 10 others were given first aid treatment.

The driver, who was among the slightly hurt, was detained and later released on bail.

**5-Year-Old Hurt By Hit-and-Run Rider**  
HAIFA. — Five-year-old Shimon Gold was knocked down here by a hit-and-run motorcyclist on Monday and taken to the Roterbach Hospital in a serious condition.

Y. Lieberman, a 24-year-old motorcyclist from Kiryat Motzkin, was taken to hospital after being involved in a collision with a car around midnight on Monday at the corner of Hehahutz and Sokolov streets.

**Higher Traffic Fines Now**  
The road offences for which a person may choose to pay a fixed fine and forgo court proceedings have been extended prior to the fine for a small number of offences increased to a maximum of IL50. The list and the fines were gazetted in "Reshumot" of January 12.

The new list, which will come into effect on January 13 (Thursday), raises the maximum fine from IL20 to IL50 on drivers who change their address and do not notify the Licensing Office.

Pinch of IL50 will be imposed on drivers whose car lack a proper horn and on drivers of lorries carrying goods that are not satisfactorily secured or poorly loaded.

"Parking offence" and "obstruction" with a maximum fine of IL20 will be imposed on drivers who park in a place where they are not permitted to do so.

The new order, signed by the Minister of Transport, Mr. M. Carmel, extends from seven to 15 days the period during which a driver who has received a ticket can choose between paying an additional fine and appearing in court on the charges.

If found guilty in court, the Judge is required to impose a minimum fine of not less than the fine he would have paid voluntarily.

**Bigger Supreme Court Opposed**  
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter  
The objection of the President of the Supreme Court, Justice Olshan, to the Cabinet's decision to increase the number of Supreme Court Justices from nine to 11 has been the reason for postponement of the decision to the Knesset for its approval, it is learned in Jerusalem.

When asked by The Jerusalem Post what he would think the Cabinet decision in the Knesset, the Minister of Justice, Mr. P. Rosen, refused to comment beyond saying, "I must weigh the situation."

Mr. Rosen had originally proposed that the Cabinet increase the number of Justices to 10 in accordance with a request to this effect from the President of the Court. The Cabinet, however, decided to raise the number to 11.

Although the Cabinet does not nominate judges, it is believed that a Sephardi candidate for elevation to the Supreme Court would stand a better chance if the Court were increased to 11.

Dr. Nir told The Jerusalem Post that it was not fitting that the Knesset should have the same representation as the Bar Association.

Dr. Nir's bill also proposes that any member of the Nominations Committee may propose candidates for the Judiciary, whereas the present law limits the rights to the Minister of Justice, the President of the Supreme Court or to any three members of the Nominations Committee.

Dr. Nir said that the present law prevents the Nominations Committee from fulfilling their duties adequately.

Opposition to Dr. Nir's proposed amendment is based on the fact that it will lead to possible interference by the Nominations Committee in the Minister of Justice's role.

It is true that Hamekasher Bank has been successful in avoiding party loans and has been able to obtain a loan from the Ministry of Justice for the third concert, on November 27, was exemplary.

When he reached the word "exemplary," Magistrate Weiner commented: "If this is so, then the purpose of the suit has been achieved."

Mr. Rubinfeld, however, at first objected to the word "exemplary," saying that it would have been better if the service on other occasions had been less than this. But he finally agreed.

Hamekasher also agreed to donate a sum of money to Magen David Adom to celebrate the closing of the case.

**Restitution for Property Confiscated — in Former Nazi Occupied Territories**  
The deadline for submission of claims against Germany has been put off to March 31, 1958. Former residents of Nazi occupied territories such as:

POLAND, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, AUSTRIA, YUGOSLAVIA, etc. are entitled to submit claims in accordance with the German Law of 1957 concerning property confiscated by the Nazis, such as:

Jewellery Gold and Silver Objects Foreign Currency Merchandise Factory and Workshop Equipment and Machinery

The claimants must prove not only that their property was confiscated, but also that it was transferred to Germany or Berlin. Efforts are being made to collect proofs on the methods of transferring confiscated properties to Germany. It is uncertain as yet that sufficient proof will be obtained.

Claimants' rights are transferable to the heirs of the former owners of confiscated properties.

## Dolphin, Back from Turkey, Needs Complete Refitting

By YAKOV FREEDMAN, Jerusalem Post Reporter  
HAIFA. — The 10-ton trawler Dolphin returned home on Tuesday afternoon after a fishing trip that was prolonged by seven months' detention in Iskenderun for an alleged violation of Turkish territorial waters.

Three years old, the wooden vessel will have to be re-conditioned after her long stay in port. She will also have to be completely refitted with new fishing gear, at a cost of IL20,000.

Mr. Mordochai Ehrlich, the technical manager of the Nahshon Company, her owners, told The Jerusalem Post that it will be at least a month before she can put to sea again. The extent of the damage to her hull has not yet been ascertained, but he estimated that Nahshon's loss would amount to nearly IL100,000, including loss of expected catches. The four members of the crew are due for Government compensation at the rate of IL2,500 for each working day.

Only one qualified for the whole period. Mr. Ehrlich doubted whether the same criterion would operate here again, as fishermen's superstition would keep them away.

The boat was fishing outside the Gulf of Iskenderun on June 8, when a Turkish coastguard cutter opened machine gun fire on her. She boarded and detained. Her crew of seven, under skipper Moshe Rabin, was charged with fishing inside territorial waters. Only after protracted argument, which concluded last month, was the crew's claim that the boat had been ten miles outside the limit when detained upheld and the vessel released.

Their catch of nearly a ton of fish, worth IL1,000, was confiscated.

**TOO LITTLE FOOD**  
For the seven months of her detention, the Dolphin was tied up at the breaker's wharf in Iskenderun. Three of her crew were kept in jail where, according to the skipper, "the treatment was all right, but conditions were unsatisfactory and food insufficient." The prison fare was supplemented by rations from the Israeli Consulate, which the skipper said was "very good."

After 37 days in jail, the Dolphin's engineer, Albert Weiss, 22, was left aboard to care for the vessel during the whole period of detention. He told this reporter that the trip had been unlucky from the start. After leaving Haifa, the boat sprang a leak and put into Famagusta for emergency repairs.

His spent his time looking after the boat, learning Turkish and having as good a time as circumstances allowed. He was free to come and go and even bought a rowboat for the journey to the breaker's wharf.

"I could easily have escaped with the boat which was unguarded, but the consul specifically forbade it," he said. He appeared in court four times. The fourth time, two months ago, he was already able to understand what was said, and the court upheld the crew's claims.

Last week, the skipper and one other man arrived in Iskenderun to take the Dolphin back. The boat's charts were gone and with difficulty they made their way to Famagusta, where they bought charts and fuel.

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